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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

"WATCH AND PRAY THAT YE ENTER NOT INTO TEMPTATION"

Prayer Is Very Needful

Men ought Always to Pray and not Faint

J. B. Weeks
"I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." 1 Tim. 2:8.
Webster says prayer means thanks and praises given to God and request made of Him; a form of words suited to an appeal to God; a form of religious service for public worship, so it is not only needful that we pray but is one of our greatest privileges to humble ourselves and seek His precious blessings. 1 Thess. 5:17 says, "Pray without ceasing." Then we find in the sacred writing where Jesus prayed all night, and next day walked on the water and did wonderful things. We find where Daniel prayed three times a day, Jacob of old prayed till he had power with God and man, then it is needful that we pray much. Oh if God's people would only pray a hole thru the skies it would be so much easier to have revivals. The evangelist cannot bring the revival, it must be prayed out of Heaven. I think we should be definite about our praying. I believe we should not take any denial for He has told us if we walk in Him and His words abide in us that we can ask whatsoever we will and it shall be done. Then again He said to ask and receive that our joy might be full. James says we have not because we ask not, we ask and receive not because we desire it upon our lust. So we only want to ask for the things that will be to the glory of God.

There is one thing that we can do and that is to pray. We may not have our millions to give; we may not be able to preach like Paul or sing like angels but the least of us can pray. Then if our prayers are not answered when we think they should be let us keep on praying, like the widow in the 18th chapter of Luke. We would like to call your attention to Phil. 4:6, "Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." God is our great burden bearer or great keeper. What shall we fear if He is for us? I believe if we would just use it we have the weapon to fight the devil with and that is prayer. Someone said that the devil trembles when he sees the weakest saint on his knees. I feel like we preachers need more kneelogy so that we might have the anointing of the Holy Ghost. When I think how the saints of old prayed, and how Jesus prayed all night till His sweat became as great drops of blood, I see how far I have failed. I don't wonder why we do not have more revivals. I tell you, dear ones, God will honor the man or woman, boy or girl who prays. I remember that the governor of our state called on people to pray during the great drought, then the following Sunday the showers began to fall. Elijah prayed for rain and it rained. God has ever been a God who heard and answered prayer. Prayer is to the spiritual man what food is to the natural man. We just can't get along without it. Somebody said it was their duty to pray but I differ with them, it is our wonderful privilege to talk to God who loves us. We can't go to Him too often. I think about Brother Payne, our Bible School teacher, having the students to pray six or seven times a day. We are just beggars at His throne of grace. We have nothing to present to Him, we are nothing only as He helps us thru prayer. Then when we pray I think we should bow before Him on our knees as Daniel did, and stay before Him till we know He has heard us.

Oh dear Lord, help us to pray as never before. We preachers need it, the laity need it, those who are over us in the Lord, need it, the little orphans at Cleveland, Tenn. need it, our neighbors need prayer, so let us resolve that no matter how well we may think we can preach we can do nothing except God be with us. He is a gentleman, He won't come and be with us without a hearty invitation. If we start the day without prayer we generally meet the devil, and (Please Look On Page Two)

Phil. 4:19 Holds Good In Arizona

To all the saints scattered abroad, greetings: I praise the Lord for victory in my soul today. It makes me feel sorry when I think of the state of Arizona with only one Church of God here in Phoenix. We need laborers. The harvest is ripe but the laborers are few. It seems to me there are so few preachers who are willing to deny themselves and take up the cross and follow Him. There are so many who have said like Job, "Then I said, I shall die in my nest." Job 29:18. We have been calling for help, but the workers must have settled down and be taking life easy while souls are perishing. The children of God need to be gathered in the fold. I pray that God might stir up their minds until they will venture out in new fields. I declare unto you Phil. 4:19 holds good away over here in Arizona the same as it does back East. I pray that the Lord will stir up some of the preachers' nest, Deut. 32:11, and put a burden on their hearts for souls and help them to get out of the old beaten paths and get out into new fields. The people in Arizona need the truth. Who will say like Isaiah, "Here am I, send me"? There are just a few of us standing for the Church of God. We have been praying and calling for help. Surely God is talking to some preacher back East. If the Lord begins to talk to you about the work in Arizona, you had better obey. Just remember Jonah—Isabella Rickman, 2130 W. Monroe St., Phoenix, Ariz.

Successful Revival

SURRENCY, Ga. (June 25)—We have just closed a successful revival at Zion church with thirteen members added to the church. There were ten received the Holy Ghost, three sanctified, two saved, and several members made to move up and take a closer walk with God and His church. Brother L. D. Brantly did the preaching, Sister Gertrude Brantly and Sister Lola Britt led the singing, also did lots of fasting and praying. That is what it takes to run Satan. Eternity alone will reveal the good accomplished here. Pray for us to overcome the enemy and stand by our pastor and one another.—Yours in Christ, J. M. Tomberlin, clerk.

Means To Fight The Battle Thru

LONE ELM, Tex.—I want to thank God this evening thru this good paper for His goodness and kindness, that He extends to those who will obey and accept Him. I have had this blessing almost a year and I am enjoying life more and more each day. I am only fourteen years old but I have found out that God is good to the young as well as to the old. We have a right nice little church work going at Lone Elm. We are thanking God for His help in our daily life. We are proud of our pastor. I think he is a man of God and is doing his best for the church at this place. We have prayer meeting three times a week when the weather is suitable. Brother Bridges is with us every two weeks. We have several young people at this place who have the Holy Ghost. We have Sunday School every Sunday. Our superintendent is only fourteen and our secretary is fifteen. By God's help and grace we mean to fight the battle thru and be soul winners for God.—A sister in Christ, (Miss) Alma Brown, Windon, Tex., R. 2.

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Great Interest Was Shown

I held a meeting at Inman, Tenn. for a week. Great interest was shown. The meeting had to close on account of bad weather. Everybody enjoyed it. I never saw people take more interest in a meeting in my life. I was sorry the meeting had to close. The Baptist people took part in the services. The saints from Whitwell, Tenn. helped with the meeting. Sister Smith, Sister Myrtle Higdon, Brother Clay, and several others were there. Brother Clay did some of the preaching. Sister Smith preached a wonderful sermon. I want to go back before long and hold about a three weeks meeting. I believe a great work can be done in that place. Praise God, for His healing power. He healed my husband and Brother Clay at this meeting. Praise His wonderful name. The Lord is working in a wonderful way. I am going to Alabama to hold a meeting. I want the saints to pray that God will give me health so that I may work for Him. I want everybody to pray for me.—Yours for the Master, Mrs. Ellen Crunkelton, Ladds, Tenn.

A New Church

OCHLOCKNEE, Ga.—The three weeks meeting which was held at McIntyre and conducted by Brother Gordon H. Prince was a great success. The church was set in order with eleven members. Many more are looking this way. The building in which we have to worship is a Methodist church which has gone dead. The Methodist people have given us permission to use and keep it up as long as we like. The name of the church will be McIntyre Church of God. The writer has been appointed clerk and treasurer. Pray for us that we may have a great success and will win the victory over the devil.—Your brother, P. L. Benton, R. 2.

Wants The Lord to Set Time for Revival

NEWBURN, Tenn.—Graves Chapel meeting of June 16 a success. There were eight in service Saturday night. Sunday night the dear Lord blessed. We want the Lord to set the time for our revival this Summer. By so doing, we then know it will be a success. We expect Brother H. N. Scoggins, our State Overseer, to assist us some. Let us make this our best year. Pray much for our future success.—G. W. Ragin, clerk.

The Blood Of Jesus

Jesus Stands as a Lamb slain from the Foundation of the World

How I praise God for the blood of Jesus this morning! It was thru it that atonement was made for our sins. I know that Jesus had power on earth to forgive sins before He spilled His blood on Calvary's rugged cross, but I know too that the Bible says at 1st Peter 1:18-21, "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things as silver and gold from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish, and without spot: who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifested in these last times for you, who by him do believe in God who raised him from the dead." So we see that it was thru the efficacy of His blood shed as it were, before the foundation of the world, and by God was counted or reckoned to them that believe, even before His blood was actually shed on the cross. At 1st Cor. 1:30 we learn that Jesus was made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. When was this done? Before the foundation of the world, when Jesus was foreordained of man, and is made real when man accepts it. The Bible sets forth our God as being a great God,

Enjoy it Better With You Than Any

ATLANTA, Ga.—After visiting and singing for several of the churches in the Carolinas we wound up the trip with a visit to the State Camp Meeting at Greenville, S. C. and also one in Fitzgerald, Ga.

We certainly had a great time at all, but believe us, those South Carolinians and Georgia fellows, Messrs. Tharp, Rainey, Culpepper and Hipps, were turning things over for the Lord. It seemed that each place was the best. If any difference, there were greater crowds and seemed like greater demonstrations in the Georgia Camp Meeting. All of these men are true blue and did their best for the "Happy Two." We shall never forget them nor any of the churches we've visited this year.

We know the Church of God folks are praying for us as well as our good boss, Mr. Jas. D. Vaughan, and why shouldn't men do good? Keep it up folks. We enjoy it better with you than any other denomination.—"The Vaughan Happy Two," Sebr n and Wilson.

Prospects are Good

A four weeks meeting closed at Lax, W. Va. Sunday Night, June 30, with great victory. Thirty were saved, nineteen sanctified, thirty-four baptized with the Holy Ghost, twenty-eight baptized in water, and eighteen added to the church. The writer and wife were in charge of the meeting. The Lord surely is blessing the church at Lax. We now have our big gospel tent at Mallory, W. Va. and prospects are good. Pray that the Lord will bless here.—Sincerely in His services, R. A. Fielden.

BETTER BUT STILL NEEDS PRAYER

WIDNER, Ga.—I thank the Lord for the many blessings He has given me. I have been real sick. I had a bad lung and stomach trouble. I was not able to do my housework and the Lord touched my body and I am doing my work now. I want to give the Lord all the praise and glory for it. I want every body to pray for the Lord to completely heal me. I would be glad if some Holy Ghost filled man or woman would come here and run a meeting. You are welcome in my home and can have services in our house. Pray for me.—Your sister in Jesus, Mrs. C. W. Lynch.

Take Ye Away The Stone

There Is Something For Everyone To Do

Willing To Stand Mocks and Scorns

MELROSE, N. Mex.—"The promise is unto you and your children and all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call," Acts 2:39. I thank the Lord that the promise included the children as well as the older folks. Last year while I was at the General Assembly, on the night of Oct. 24, God got hold of my heart and wonderfully saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I was only thirteen years old and therefore I got many persecutions when I came back home. Some said that I was making a mock of God, but when I would think of how Jesus was crucified for me I was willing to stand the mocks and scorn of the people.

I quit school and went to South Florida with my sister, Josephine Baker, and we held an eight weeks revival. During the meeting I conducted a young people's meeting in the afternoon. God surely did bless and many children and young folks attended. About twelve young folks received the Holy Ghost and about eighteen were saved and sanctified. Surely God is wonderful. I love Him more and more each day for His goodness. I intend to press forward and reach the mark of a higher calling in Christ Jesus. Please pray for my sister and me, also the new work here.—Your sister in Jesus, Evelyn White.

On The Firing Line

DAISY, Tenn. (July 1)—The Lord is still blessing Daisy. We closed another meeting. Five were saved, three sanctified, fourteen received the Holy Ghost, eight came in the church, and nine followed the Lord in water. We want to praise the dear Lord for His power, and His great love for us at this place, and for the way He is working in His mighty power. Forty-three have received the Holy Ghost since March 1, 1929, eight sanctified, ten saved. Thirty-three came in the church at this place. We are on the firing line. We mean to press thru by His help. Pray for us.—Your brother in Christ, Edward Dedmon.

The Devil Raged But The Lord Gave Victory

JENSEN, Fla.—I am glad that I can report victory over Satan. I left Miami, May 13 for the Bahamas. I reached Nassau the 14th. On the 22d I went up to Bannerman Town. I held a two weeks meeting. Two souls were saved and sanctified. I went back to Nassau and spent five days there. Three got saved and sanctified, making a total of five souls. The devil raged very high and he was mad at Bannerman but the Lord gave victory. I did not intend to come back so quick but the devil fooled me and told me that I could not get back if I waited longer. I left six souls at the altar. My wife and I had a wonderful time over there. The saints were built up. Oh, how they wanted us to stay for good.—Your brother in Christ, Solomon Macky, Box 64.

Give God A Chance

OHOPE, Ga. (April 29)—I want to praise the Lord this morning for His wonderful healing power. I told the Lord if He would heal me of my disease, I would testify of it, and I am glad to say that I feel better this morning. I give the Lord the praise for it. I ask all the saints to pray for me that I may get completely healed. I have promised the Lord to do His will the rest of my life, to the best of my knowledge. All pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost, for I want to be a soul winner for Jesus, also pray for my dear husband that he will draw near to God, and will love this good old time religion as I do. A member of God's work.—Mrs. C. M. Sapp.

M. W. Letsinger
John 11:39

These words were spoken by Jesus while at the tomb of Lazarus. Jesus had been very intimately associated with Lazarus and his two sisters, Mary and Martha, who lived at Bethany. Jesus had spent many happy hours with them. He very often went there for rest when he was tired and worn. No doubt but what they spent the time in prayer and worship and Oh how the little family must have enjoyed having Jesus there. No doubt He had healed them many times when they were sick and they would look forward from time to time when He would go away, for His return. Great persecution had arisen against Jesus in that section and He had departed for a while when Lazarus took sick. No doubt the sisters spoke of Jesus and said, If Jesus were here Lazarus would be healed. No doubt Lazarus said many times, How I do wish that Jesus would come. I feel so bad and I know if He were here He would heal me. But Jesus did not come, and Lazarus grew worse until he possibly did not notice much. Poor Mary and Martha, no doubt they were troubled greatly and sent Jesus word of Lazarus' condition, but Jesus did not go to see him but abode where He was until the news came that Lazarus was dead. Then Jesus decided to go, but some of the disciples tried to persuade Him not to go because of the awful persecution that had arisen in that section of the country, but when they failed to prevail with Jesus they decided to go with Him and to die with Him if it were necessary. As Jesus drew near the home Martha ran out to meet Him and falling at His feet said, "If thou hadst been here, my brother had not died." But I know that even now whatsoever thou wilt ask of God God will give it. So Jesus went on to the house and called for Mary, after which they went to the grave. Now Lazarus had been dead four days and when Jesus arrived He bade them take away the stone. The sisters reminded Him that he had been dead four days and by now he stinketh, but Jesus rebuked them for their little faith and said, "Take ye away the stone." Jesus could have commanded the stone and it would have moved away, but He did not. He told those who were present to take it away. It seems that it must have been necessary for them to do something and they obeyed and the result was that the dead man heard the voice of the Son of God and lived.

Now there are souls all around us who are dead in trespasses and sin, who need to hear the voice of the Son of God and live, but there may be some stones to take away before God will call them. We will mention a few stones that should be removed that those around us may hear the voice of Jesus and live. The first stone that I will mention is inconsistency. It means much to live a consistent Christian life. Then if we have not been living as we should before others, we are stumbling stones. Those inconsistent acts are stones in the way of others, and will have to be moved out of the way before they can hear the voice of Jesus and live. If we owe debts and make no sacrifice or effort to pay, those who know it will have no confidence in us and it will be a stone in their way. If we run sharp bargains on those who do not know as much as we do, it will be a stone in the way of those who know of it and will hinder them from coming to God.

We may tattle and say hard things against others without a cause and it will kill our influence with those with whom we associate and possibly cause them to be skeptical and they will never hear His voice and live. If we go to worldly amusements and dress and fashion after the world it surely will hinder our influence for God and His church. If we have an influence for God and His cause we must live consistent Christian lives.

The next stone that we will mention is timidity. So many good Christian people that live good, pure lives are so timid that they will not let the Holy Ghost use them. They see plenty (Please Look On Page Two)

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We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield, if nothing else, a postal card telling where you are this week.

Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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EDITORIALS

Brother Whittington and Brother Paulk came in the office Monday morning, each bringing a list of subscribers. Brother Paulk brought 31 and Brother Whittington 20. This makes a total of 253 for Brother Paulk and 259 for Brother Whittington. Hurrah for these two brethren!

Brother Ed Johnson of Bristol, Tenn. writes us that he has a big tent and expects to give Bristol about a six weeks meeting. He desires prayer for the success of the meeting.

Revivals are in progress in many places. Many good reports are coming in from day to day. Surely the Lord is visiting us in a wonderful way.

We have cards and cluster rolls for children, also Junior Quarterlies. Our Adult and Beginners are all gone, also the lesson leaves.

We hope that every one that possibly can will settle their account with the Publishing House before the Assembly.

TAKE YE AWAY THE STONE

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to be done but think that some one else should do it. They feel too small and the result is they draw back when the Spirit would have them speak to some one about their soul. They wait to see if some one else will not do it, when they are the one that God wants to speak thru and use to call others to Himself.

Then we will speak of the stone of fear. Some are so afraid they will do the wrong thing that they will not do anything. They are afraid to testify or approach any one about their soul. They seem to fear what some might say to or about them. I have known some who were afraid to go to a holiness meeting; others who believed with all their heart and even belonged to the church, were so fearful that they would not take a bold stand for what they knew to be right and the result was they had no influence for the good. Though they spent many hours in prayer for those they loved, yet the stone of fear kept their loved ones from hearing the voice of the Lord.

Then the stone of doubt. So many are so given to doubts they will go to church and get blessed, feel the mighty power of God and go out to doubt and wonder if it really was the Lord working with them, and in many ways they would doubt and hinder the Lord from working with others. I once knew a man who would go to the altar and talk in tongues and apparently be moved by the power and as soon as he got out from the presence and influence of the church he would doubt. Possibly there are many more things that we could name that are hindrances in our midst that God would have us to take away. God could save the world without our help or assistance in the least, if it was His plan to do it that way, but it is not His plan. He wants to use His creation and if you and I fail to do our part in moving hindrances, then He will seek others who will obey Him. "Take ye away the stone."

NOTICE

We, the deacons of the Church of God at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., do hereby declare that reports, concerning our pastor, S. F. Beard, namely, that he and his wife are separated, and other reports to the effect that he is against demonstrations, and preaches doctrine contrary to the Church of God, to be utterly false and untrue.

Brother Beard has labored very faithfully for the Church here, and we have the uttermost confidence in him as a man of God.—James Hagan, David H. Deik, Ben Williams, E. A. Ford.

NOTICES & SPECIALS

We the Church of God at Soddy, Tenn. will have dedicational service July 28th, with our State Overseer in charge.—James Jeffery, pastor.

A home is offered to a sister who wishes to devote her life to home mission work, or one wishing to prepare herself for the foreign field. Address (Miss) Mary Morrison Luckey, 613 E. 13th St., Charlotte, N. C.

We expect to begin a revival at Greenleaf Church of God, three miles west of Alachua, Fla., July 28th, 1929. D. V. Come, everybody, expecting a good time in the Lord. W. M. Newman, pastor, will be in charge.—Mrs. A. R. Cain, clerk, Alachua, Fla., Rt. 4, Box 5.

A revival will begin at Fame Saturday night before the third Sunday in August. Everyone is invited to come who is willing to take part in the services of the Lord. Come on and be with us and have a glorious time in the Lord.—M. C. Wright, clerk, Eupora, Miss.

To the Churches of God in N. C.: We the undersigned ministers in the state have been made to feel that the churches are not doing what they should for the State Overseer. When Brother Stephens made his report to the state assembly we learned that the amount of money he has received is not sufficient to pay his expenses and keep him going over the state as he feels he should. It seems that some of the churches have not been sending him the amount of tithes that are due him each month. If some of the churches do not have any tithes to send the State Overseer, they should take an offering each month for that purpose and be prompt in sending it in. If every church in the state will do what they can, the State Overseer will be able to do his duty toward them. Every church can get together a few dollars each month and send it to him promptly. The country churches can tithe their chickens, eggs, garden and farm produce and always have some tithes to send in. They can also sell something they raise on the farm and send an offering if their tithes are small. Let every church wake up to its duty and see that our State Overseer is well supported so he can advance in the work in the state.

We had a wonderful state assembly but were embarrassed to learn of the small amount our State Overseer had received, and to know that some of the churches have not done their part. Come on churches and be prompt in discharging your duty to our State

Overseer and God will bless you.—Yours for loyalty, J. M. Snyder, W. M. Stallings, J. P. Hughes.

It has been "norted" that I have made the statement that I was going to come out of the Church of God and establish a mission of my own. I want the church to know that this statement is not true, and that I am Church of God material and believe in every bit of the church doctrine.

I also want to call attention to my little book, "SIGNS OF THE COMING LORD." Every one who is interested in the support of the orphans should buy one of these books as every penny of the proceeds goes to their support.—Your brother in Christ, W. R. Anderson, 515 W. M. St., Maryville, Tenn.

I wish to express a few words thru the Evangel in regard to the resolution of the bishops in council at the 5th Annual Convention of the Churches of God, held at Orlando, Fla. Jan. 14-20, 1929.

"Whereas the city of Jacksonville is the gateway to Florida and it being the largest city of the state, be it recorded that each member throughout the jurisdiction of the colored work, give not less than \$1.00 each to assist in erecting a large stone structure in said city."

I would like to impress on your mind that each one do their bit in regard to the above resolution, as there are only eight more months before the 6th Annual Convention, which is expected to convene in said city. I expect each state and district overseer and pastor to impress the importance of this matter upon their members and that all funds being raised for this purpose be forwarded to Elder C. F. Bright, Treasurer, 2346 Dennis St., Jacksonville, Fla.—Yours in the Masters' service, J. H. Curry, Overseer of colored work, 417 N. W. 8th Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Dear saints, when you read this will you listen to the Spirit of God calling to Phoenix, Ariz.? Please come and help us. We are calling for help. We feel assured that God will speak to some one's heart to come and help us. Come, preachers; come, workers.—Your sister in Christ, H. D. Collins, 2005 E. Madison St., Phoenix, Ariz.

On the 18th of August we are going to start a revival at Campaign, Tenn. with Brother T. S. Payne in charge. Pray that souls will be brought to the Lord. Everybody welcome.—C. H. Prince, pastor.

REQUESTS

I ask all praying people who can reach the throne of God to pray for my two sisters who are sick. One has rheumatism and the other one thinks she has cancer of the stomach. One is living for the Lord and the other, I am afraid, is a sinner but I know God hears and answers prayer, so please pray that God may heal them both and save their souls. He knows their trouble if we don't and He is the healer of all diseases. Also pray for my family that God will keep us in the straight path and help us to obey His will and give us more faith to hold out faithful to the end.—Yours in Christ, Mrs. J. F. Frost Edison, Ga., Rt. 4.

Please pray for my three children. They are having chills. I am trusting the Lord.—Bessie Cornelius, Rt. 1, Blountsville, Ala.

I am very sick with pellagra and I want all the saints of God to pray earnestly for me to be healed if it is His will.—Mrs. E. H. Rivers, Ruby, S. C. Rt. 1.

I ask the saints to please pray earnestly for me that God will save my soul. For over a week God has been mightily working with my soul. The devil has me bound. Please pray that

I can get deliverance from him. He keeps me from believing God. O my heart cries for deliverance. I want God in my life that I may be a blessing to His cause. As soon as you lay your paper down, please pray. May God lay the burden on your heart. My soul is at stake.—One so hungry for Jesus, Birtie Moore, Murphy, Okla.

Please pray for Luther Norris. He has given over to strong drink until he is nearly crazy. Pray for his wife and mother that they may not lose their minds over his condition. He is my grandson.—Mrs. M. M. Perry, Glen Allen, Ala.

Brother James R. West is running a revival at Allen Junction, W. Va. and requests that the saints everywhere pray a special prayer that God will bless and save souls at that place.—Eva Perdue, Mullens, W. Va.

I am in need of help from all of the Lord's praying people. I am in a battle at Casprilla, Fla. Two or three have received the blessing, and some have been saved and sanctified. The altar is full. The devil is working hard. It seems that we are bound at the altar and can't get free. Please pray that the Lord will give complete victory.—Your servant, J. M. Bradley, 615 W. Quincy St., Lakeland, Fla.

LET US WORK AS NEVER BEFORE

QUINCY, Fla.—I want to praise the Lord for His wonderful love for us, and for healing our bodies and saving our souls. He is surely good to us. He healed me a few nights ago when I thought I was going to die. I surely do want to do something for Him, for all my pleasure comes from working for the Lord. When He saves us and fills us with the blessed Holy Ghost He wants us to go to work for Him then because He has given us the things that are needed in the battle for the Lord. O how we need to get busy, because I do believe the time is short for us to work, and we should work while it is day because night is coming when no man can

work, and I want to do what I can. I know I do not do all I ought to. I want prayer that the Lord will help me to be an overcomer and be ready when He calls for me.

We should pray for the young people of this day, they seem to be going right on thoughtless of where they are going to spend eternity, loving pleasure more than God. But we know that is one of the signs of the last days, and I feel like the last days are here. We saints should go to work as never before, for we do not know how soon we will have to lay our armor down and be called to the great Judge. O how I want to hear the words, Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joys of the Lord. Let us try more than we ever have before to do more for Him. I desire your prayers for myself and family, that we may be

Charge Church With Upsetting Calm Of Morn

Neighbors Say Fervor of Early Matutinal Service Is Very Disturbing

City officials and the police department have been besieged in the last several days with complaints from residents in the neighborhood of the Church of God, a religious organization which holds meetings in a building on N. E. Fourth Street and Third Avenue. Services start at 5:30 or 6:00 o'clock mornings and religious sessions often continue until late at night, it is said.

Members of the cult give vent to their religious enthusiasm by shouting, moaning, screaming and other vocal outbreaks which greatly interfere with the peace and comfort of those nearby, according to reports received at city hall. It was also charged that two women members of the organization once rendered themselves unconscious during the service.

"Almost Dead"
An elderly woman living nearby told the city manager's office that her husband, a retired mechanic, was "almost dead" from nervousness brought about by the "carrying's on" in the church.

The city has detailed an officer to attend the services in the future and urge quicker programs at hours of the day when neighbors usually take their rest.

Dave Deik, one of the deacons denied the charges this morning and said that the services were conducted in an orderly manner. Mr. Deik said that some of the members did shout a bit on occasions.

Rev. S. F. Beard, pastor, is having circulated hand bills announcing next Sunday as "Dollar Day" in the church. "What a Dollar Will Do For the Church" and "The Price of Your Soul" are sermon subjects for morning and evening.

Dear brothers in Christ:—

You will see by the above article, published in our daily newspaper, that we are not dead in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and that we are not giving the devil much rest lately. We are having prayer services every morning at six o'clock (which consists only of about thirty or forty-five minutes of prayer, no singing or speaking) in addition to our regular meetings which are as follows: S. S. 9:30 a. m. (had 101 last two Sundays) preaching Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting and testimonies Tuesdays 8:00 p. m. Special lectures Thursdays 8:00 p. m. Ladies' prayer meeting Wednesdays at 3:30 p. m. The Church of God Young People's Endeavor, Sundays at 6:00 p. m. This makes 13 or 14 services a week. And "ain't the devil getting mad." Say, we are going to have a revival, for God is hearing those prayers from that early prayer meeting; we are having all the way from 8 to 15 in attendance every morning; it is wonderful!

Brother J. B. Ellis will be with us for the revival, the 28th of July, D. V. You may look for a great report, for we are certainly depending on Him who has never failed to hear His children when they sacrifice. Pray much for us, for the devil is "hot in the collar," and by God's help he is going to be better before we are through.

We could not have bought that space on the front page of our paper for any price, but the devil "raised so much cane" that it was donated to us free of charge. It is worth two or three hundred dollars to us just at this time, as we have moved from our little 22 x 54 feet church, to one right down in the heart of town (almost). It is 48 x 85, besides two big Sunday School rooms about 20 x 24 each. We have leased it for twelve months, and we have just newly seated it at the cost of more than \$375.00, so we did not have any money for advertising. I had 2,000 circulars printed and spread them over the town, and lo and behold, the article carried the whole scheme of "Dollar Day" program for us, even to the subjects for both the morning and evening sermons. I am reminded of how God made the devil bear the expense of Paul so that he might preach the Gospel in Rome.

The prospect for our church is extra good at this writing. Pray much for us.—Your brother, S. F. Beard.

PRAY FOR ME AND MINE

HOLLY RIDGE, La.—I want to praise the Lord for what He means to me. I thank Him for His keeping and healing power. I have been suffering with my side. My husband laid the Evangel on my side and prayed. The Lord healed me. I told the Lord that I would testify to it thru the Evangel. Bless His dear name. I am so glad we have one we can go to in time of need and trouble. I want to live an humble and true life and do just what the Lord wants me to. I want to live a life so that my people will see that there is something in serving God. I ask the praying people an unbroken family in heaven.—Mrs. Jessie Lambert.

THE LONE STAR STATE

BURK BURNETT, Tex.—I want to report a good revival at the Church of God. The Lord is blessing in a wonderful way. The church is growing wonderfully in Burk Burnett. A goodly number were saved during the revival, and about fifteen sanctified, ten filled with the Holy Ghost and several added to the church. Thirteen were baptized in water. J. F. Brown, a Holiness Baptist preacher (when he began), conducted the meeting. Before the meeting closed he prayed through to the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues like Peter did on the day of Pentecost, and he joined the church and is now preaching for the Church of God.

We had the privilege of enjoying the Oklahoma state camp meeting. It was a wonderful meeting. We thank God for the good fellowship among the folks in Oklahoma. The work is moving on there. We want to give every one a hearty invitation to the Texas camp meeting. Seventy-five received the Holy Ghost last year and we are expecting a greater number than ever before. Jesus said in Matt. 7:7, "Ask and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you." I find that if we will put feet to our prayers and do our duty God will do the rest. So many people are like the old woman who prayed for the mountain to be moved and when she looked up and the mountain was still there she said, Just as I expected. We covet your prayers that the Church of God at Burk Burnett, Tex. will out-shine the sun, and not here only, but elsewhere. Meet me at the Texas camp meeting at Weatherford, Tex. Aug. 1st.—W. M. Kile, 212 E. 5th St.

ple to pray for my unsaved brother and sister. I have one brother who says he wants to go to Bible School next term. He is unsaved. Please pray for God to keep putting it on his heart to go. He says he knows the Church of God is the only way to live. I ask all to pray for my body and also my little boy. I am trying my best to bring him up in the right way of the Lord. Pray for me.—Vallie Isaac.

Prayer Is Very Needful

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too many times we are defeated because we do not take the Lord with us. I believe when the storm comes and the wind blows and it seems like all hell is against us then we should pray. The old oak tree seems to be nearly blown over during the storm but when the storm is over it takes a more firmer hold on old mother earth, so trials are just stepping stones to a higher plain of living. They cause us to pray more. We can all pray, so let us not neglect this as we should ever remember prayer is the most needful thing.

THE BLOOD OF JESUS

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by the Holy Ghost (Rom. 15:16) so we learn that the Holy Ghost applies the blood of Jesus and thus sanctifies, or makes clean from the carnal mind. From Rev. 12:11 we learn that we overcome by the blood. Acts 20:28 tells us that Jesus purchased the church with His blood. Isa. 53:5 says that by His stripes we are healed and 1st Peter 2:24 says that by His stripes we were healed. While the Bible does not say the blood, no doubt the blood flowed from the stripes that were put on His dear back by the Roman soldiers when they scourged Him. From God's Word we learn that our redemption for soul and body was purchased with His blood and we can not value His blood too highly.

Oh! precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know,
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Oh! the blood, the blood, is all my plea,
Hallelujah! it cleanseth me.

Sin and sickness came as the result of the fall and we have the remedy for them thru the atoning merits of Jesus' blood. I am so glad that I have learned it and am depending on it.

OFFERMAN, GA., CAMP MEETING

AUGUST 30th, CONTINUING 10 DAYS
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Joseph Chapel, Near Cleveland, Miss., Sept. 4-8
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Branford, Fla., August 22d-31st

R. P. Johnson, Overseer in Charge

MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION

GRAND LEDGE, Mich., AUG. 31-SEPT. 2
M. P. CROSS, Overseer

TEXAS CAMP MEETING

WEATHERFORD, TEX., AUGUST 1-10
STATE CONVENTION 8th and 9th

E. W. Williams, Overseer of Texas

NORTH CAROLINA CAMP MEETING

Will Convene At

WASHINGTON, N. C., AUG. 15th to 25th

John L. Stephens, Overseer

W. VIRGINIA STATE CONVENTION

Will Convene At

LOGAN, W. VIRGINIA, August 22d-25th

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G. C. Dunn, State Overseer

State Convention For Colored Work

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KENTUCKY STATE CAMP MEETING

Will Convene At

RAVENNA, KY. AUGUST 3d to 11th

T. S. Payne, In Charge

G. A. Fore, Overseer of Kentucky

The Devil Had To Retreat

MARIETTA, Ga.—I am praising the Lord this morning for victory over sin. Hallelujah, I am still shouting the victory as I climb this rugged hill. I feel more determined to press the battle for King Jesus. I don't see any place to quit. We have to strive harder each day to reach the perfecting line. The Spirit says press forward and my heart's desire is to be ready. I have been running for life for six years and I feel rested now more than I did when I started. I'm fully trusting Jesus for everything. I do not take any medicine or use any salve. I know that He is able to deliver and if He fails to heal me I am ready to go. The Lord has blessed three of my little girls and they are all in the Church of God. Praise the Lord!

Brother Shaw has just closed a four weeks meeting here. The enemy was surely strong against him but he held on to God until the walls crumbled and fell. The devil had to raise a white flag and retreat. The brother walked over the enemy's line with a great shout of victory. During the whole conflict he never seemed discouraged but just pressed the battle with glad shouts, claiming victory was just ahead. It really was. The Lord came down and began to bless. Twenty-four were saved, sixteen sanctified, ten received the Holy Ghost, and five were baptized and united with the church. We truly thank God for such a wonderful harvest of souls. We feel that God really sent Brother and Sister Shaw to Marietta for they did the greatest work here that has ever been done.

Brother Shaw is a chosen vessel of the Lord. He found favor with the most hard-hearted sinners when all others seemed to fail. Every message seemed to come from the very depths of his soul thru the Holy Ghost. No one could doubt him being a man sent from God. I would to God that all ministers found such favors. We were sorry they had to leave. It seemed like the Spirit had left our midst. Everywhere they go the people seem to love them. I'm sure the doors are all open to them when they come back. We are praying for him to come back with his wife when he finishes his mission at Dahlonega, to raise the banner again in honor of the great King. I thank God for the blood washed way. Pray for me and mine.—Your humble sister under the blood, Mamie Lee Anderson.

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In the beginning, God created the heaven and the earth, and on the sixth day he created man in His own image. The Bible does not teach us that man was made after the order of some beast. Of course he had animal life, but he, like God, had a knowledge of good and evil.

God made a beautiful garden in which He placed Adam and Eve in perfect innocence. He gave them dominion over the other living creatures. There was only one privilege that they were forbidden, and that was to partake of the Tree of Knowledge. I think Eve must have had a curiosity to know just what this fruit might taste like, of which she was so strictly forbidden to eat. While she was gazing at this tree, Satan, in the form of a beautiful serpent, came up to her, and seeing that through the lust of her eye she was in his territory, tempted her to disobey God. Through deception, she yielded to the temptation. Then Adam willfully transgressed the law of God, in order that he might not be separated from his wife. By this one act, sin entered the world and all mankind was condemned to die, but God, in His infinite mercy, provided a way in which each individual might redeem himself. He promised His Son, Jesus, who should eradicate this Adamic sin, and this promise was made to them that believe.

The first record we have of the belief in the promised Savior, was in Abel's offering to God. He offered a bloody sacrifice, typifying the blood of Jesus which was to be shed for all. As we follow on down the line, we see Abraham put to a supreme test. He was asked to offer up his son, Isaac. The heathens had freely offered their sons and daughters to the gods, and the question had come, "Art thou prepared to obey thy God as fully as the people about thee obey their gods?" But in the putting forth of his faith in the act of obedience, he learned that God did not intend for him to take the life of his son.

The fundamental idea of sacrifice may be gathered partly from their designation, and partly from their nature. Sacrifices do not appear to have been instituted, at first, by divine command, though they should not, on that account, be looked upon as human inventions. They are the spontaneous expressions of reverence and gratitude which man feels toward God. Nor can we forget that in all ages blood has been the symbol of life, and its shedding, the offering of one's life. Now that which corresponds to this inward surrender, as being an outward, visible, tangible verification of it, is sacrifice, which, on this account, has been called "embodied prayer." In the "burnt offerings" of Job for his children and for his three friends, the idea of expiation is distinctly set forth; for in the first instance the influencing thought with Job was, "It may be that my sons have sinned," and in the latter God said to Job's friend, "My servant, Job, will pray for you, for him will I accept."

In the priestly code of the Pentateuch, the fundamental idea of sacrifices is that of substitution. In the Levitical Sacrifices, the first fruits go for the whole products, the firstlings of the flock, the redemption money for that which cannot be offered, and the life of the sacrifices, which is in its blood, for the life of the sacrificer.

Under the Mosaic law, the offering of sacrifices was enjoined as a covenant duty; the material of the sacrifices, and the rites to be observed in offering them, were minutely described, and sacrifices thus offered acquired the character of Grace.

At the very threshold of the Dispensation of Law is the sacrifice of the Paschal lamb, a substitute for Israel's firstborn, and resulting in Israel's redemption. This was commanded to be renewed yearly at the Feast of the Passover. The occasions on which the sin offerings were made regularly for the people were: At the New Moon, Passover, Pentecost, Feast of Trumpets, Feast of Tabernacles, and Day of Atonement. When a sin was committed, or when a person was defiled by touching an unclean thing, or coming in contact with a dead body, a sacrifice had to be offered by the individual. There were also daily sacrifices which were offered morning and evening, each consisting of a yearling lamb for a burnt offering, a tenth deal of flour for a meat offering, one fourth hin of wine for a drink offering.

For hundreds of years the blood of innocent animals flowed freely, but the people almost forgot God. They continued to offer sacrifices merely in a formal way, or as a habit. We do not wonder at the thundering voice of Jehovah, exclaiming, "To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the Lord, I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts, and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of goats. When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts? Bring no more vain oblations; in sense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with, it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting. Your

new moons and your appointed feasts, my soul hateth, they are a trouble unto me, I am weary to bear them." Isa. 1:11-14.

Again we find "Your burnt offerings are not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet unto me." Jer. 6:20. Here we see the Lord was thoroughly provoked with the people whom He had chosen. Their methods of sacrificing were incomplete in that they could not take away sin. "For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats should take away sins. Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me." Heb. 10:4-5.

And for what purpose was a mortal body prepared for the second person of the Godhead? The answer is, "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate." Heb. 13:12. Jesus did not have to come to this world and die, but "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Jno. 3:16. We look back and see Jesus as He hung there on the cross, and hear Him say, "It is finished." Then, the plan of salvation was finished. His mission was to redeem the world, and for this purpose He gave His life's blood. We no longer need a high priest to offer daily sacrifice for us. "By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." Heb. 10:10. It was not for any good deeds that we had done, that Jesus came, for we are living under the unmerited favors of God, and all that we are asked to do in turn, is to present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is our reasonable service. "By him therefore, let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the first fruits of our lips, giving thanks to his name. But to do good and to communicate, forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." Heb. 13:15, 16.

COME OVER AND HELP US

HETH, Ark.—Dear Evangel readers, I can hardly wait for the good paper to come. It makes me feel good to read the good testimonies. I can hardly do without it in my home. It is a sermon every week. Dear readers, I wrote in the Evangel sometime back for someone to come and help us. Yes, indeed we need help. When I read the paper and don't see anything from Arkansas it makes me feel like it is forsaken. I believe that in the Arkansas will rise and shine. Praise the Lord! Jesus said He would be with us even to the end of the world. The way things look to me the people are all for self. The work in Arkansas has some true blue saints who stand for the right thing. I believe in Bible salvation and I fully believe that we have some people who have Bible salvation. I want everyone who knows the worth of prayer to pray that I will get closer to the Lord. I know it is going to take Bible salvation when Jesus comes to claim His bride. Pray that I will stay humble every day. Pray for my wife and three children.—Yours for the Lord, Willie Martin.

Expecting a Wonderful Time In Louisiana

EPSS, La.—"I have set the Lord always before me, because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved." Psa. 16:8. I am glad for victory this morning, glad that I ever humbled myself before the Lord and He came to my right hand and saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost, and showed me the light on the Church of God. Thank the Lord, I will not be moved.

I want to ask all who are interested in the Louisiana state camp meeting to join us in the nine o'clock prayer. The camp meeting begins Aug. 4th. We are hoping and praying for a wonderful time with the Lord, and that many souls will be saved.

Praise the Lord, I am feeling good in my soul right now, for I have kept the ways of the Lord and have not wickedly departed from my God. Ps. 18:21. I want every one to pray for me that I might ever stay humble and do the Lord's will. I thank the Lord for our pastor. He is surely a man of God.

Every one is invited to the camp meeting, especially the ministers. Please pray that wife and I will be humble until Jesus comes.—Your brother in Christ, J. P. Noland.

ALL HAVE GREAT VICTORY

ISOLA, Miss.—"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren and sisters to dwell together in unity." We are more than glad to report great victory and floods of joy. God is blessing us here where there is unity and strength. Not a few, but all the body have great victory. The revival spirit is in our regular services. The altar is full of seekers. Last night four received the Holy Ghost. We surely do love Him for His blessings. Praise His name. Our summer meeting will start soon. Brother C. G. Edwards will be in charge. He is a wonderful man for the Lord. All pray for success. We plan to build a place of worship in the

Let's Evangelize The World

RAVIA, Okla.—Dear saints, greetings in Jesus' name. I thank God this morning for salvation, for the love of God and for deep settled peace in my soul. I thank Him for His healing power. I promised God I would testify for Him if He would heal my two little girls of pellagra, one two years old and the other five years old. I sent two handkerchiefs to Brother Rouse and the youngest girl was healed. The Lord touched the oldest one and she improved but I neglected to pay my vow and this Spring she grew worse. The last night of a two weeks' meeting held here by our district overseer, Brother Eason, she was prayed for again and again the Lord touched her body, but still I failed to pay my vow. The Lord turned the devil loose on my body and my little girl is worse than she ever has been. My little nine months old boy got in a serious condition and while I was praying the thought came to me about my vow. I promised I would write and the Lord touched my body and gave me relief. He also touched my baby. I want every child of God to pray for my little girl that God will heal her. Her hands and feet break out in blisters and burn like fire. I know God can heal. He has healed my oldest little boy when sinners said death was on him and his eyes were set. Also the little girl that is afflicted now has been right at death's door and God undertook. A blood vein burst on the inside of my body last Winter and I could feel myself passing out, too weak to pray, but the saints held on to God and He came to my rescue. Praise God.

Just a few nights ago a brother and sister in Christ brought their little thirteen year old boy to my home. He was suffering death, it seemed, with appendicitis. We called in our pastor and some more of the saints and prayed for him and God wonderfully healed him. The next night our State Overseer, Brother Hicks, preached for us and the mother of this boy and another sister came into the church. Brother Johnnie Moore had been holding a meeting in their district a few miles from here. They had had the blessing for several years. Two or three were saved and one or two sanctified in Brother Johnnie Moore's meeting.

I want to say to the preachers who are called of God, if there ever was a time to break loose and obey God it is now, and lay members, let's come on and pay tithes and offerings. Don't you want to obey God? Then don't rob Him, pay Him what you owe or stop testifying you love Him. If we love Him we will keep His commandments. Remember He said, "Thou shalt not steal." Dear ones, there are more ways to steal than one and if we keep back our tithes and offerings we are robbing God; or stealing. You say you want to go to Heaven. No robber will ever get there. You may not like the pastor or some of his ways, and say you will not pay him the tithes. Mal. 3:8 says, "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation." V. 10 and 11, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now here will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts." God will bless you if you pay tithes. Listen, that man that is your pastor is working for the Lord, looking after your soul and the tithes belong to God and God said that He would supply our needs, and that the ministers should live of the Gospel. If that man is pleasing the one that has the rule over him there must be something wrong with us and if there is something in the church that the Holy Ghost doesn't approve of hold on to God until He opens the eyes of the ones that have the rule over us and He will work the thing out if we will stay humble. If the one over you does not live humble enough to discern the thing that is in the way, God will move him out and put one in that will, so pay tithes any way. If the pastor should get out of his place or fail to obey the teachings of the Church of God, go to him and talk with him and if he doesn't hear you take it to the district overseer or the state overseer. Thank God for government, a clean thing. When you have paid your tithes you have cleared yourself and if you have only one dress and the children are barefooted and husband has only one pair of pants it is only a trial of your faith to see if you will pay tithes. If the pastor barely speaks and does not visit you only when he wants you to do something, pay tithes anyway. You will be doing your part and God will bless you. It is our duty to pay tithes and the clerk's duty to see that the pastor gets every cent due him, so come on saints, let's evangelize the

world. You may not be called to go and preach His Word but you can help some one else to go. How? By paying tithes and offerings.

I thank God for our pastor, Sister Mollie Wilson. She is an old lady sixty years of age. Perhaps many of you know her. She has done a wonderful work here by the help of our Lord. She has been a blessing to this place. It is a hard place and has suffered much but as we are depending on the Father, Son and Holy Ghost and He has wonderfully undertaken and is leading us on. It pays to walk in the light of God's Word. Six have come in the church since Sister Wilson came here. She has raised enough money to pay the taxes off the church which was on it when we bought it. Now you younger brethren who say you have been called out in the harvest field, surely you can go and preach if an old lady sixty years of age can go. Pray for me.—Mrs. Henry Franks.

WANTS TO BE A BLESSING

GREEN TURTLE CAY, Abaco. — Dear saints, I am praising God for this free and full salvation which was purchased on the cross by His precious blood. I am praising Him for redeeming my lost soul from an endless hell. I praise Him for saving me from sin, Matt. 1:21, sanctifying me, John 17:17, and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost and fire, Acts 2:4. I thank Him for the Church of God which is the pillar and ground of truth. I am on my march up the Highway of Holiness. Each day I realize a deeper depth, higher height, and a closer walk with Him. I ask your earnest prayers that I will live humble, for he that humbly himself shall be exalted, Matt. 23:12. Pray that I will be a living witness for Him that my life will be a blessing to the unsaved, causing someone to walk close to the Lord and yield their soul and body to Him. I ask your prayers in behalf of our church that she will keep shining brightly, also that all the saints will keep love in their hearts one for another. I want to submit myself in the hand of God that He may use me to His glory. I want my garment clean and white so I can walk with joy along the plains of light.—Yours in Christ, Brother W. E. Sands.

Others Looking This Way

Dear saints, greetings in the dear Lord's name: I want to praise the Lord thru the Evangel. We have just closed a two weeks meeting at Lone Oak about ten miles from Pikeville. The Lord surely did bless. One was sanctified, one baptized in water and two came into the church. Others are looking this way. Pray that I may be a soul winner.—Tom Pearson.

Suffered 22 Years With Tumor — Healed

BAILEYTON, Ala. — I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel for my blessed Saviour, for what He has done for me. Five years ago He came into my heart and forgave me of my sins and added me to the great Church of God, bless His dear name. He sanctified me, and after tarrying four days He filled me with the precious Holy Ghost. I lived in the Baptist church about thirty years. While at work, trying to get money enough to have a tumor taken out of my side that had been there twenty-one years, (one afternoon about four o'clock) my side was hurting and I saw death was going to overtake me if something was not done. I heard a voice speak to me and tell me to seek the Lord. I was puzzled, for I did not know how. But the Lord guided me to the saints and they prayed for me and I went to meeting that same night and was healed and sanctified, bless the Lord. I am a sound woman to day, out trying to bring sinners to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. Pray for me, that I may ever do the will of the Lord. We would like for some preacher to come here, as holiness has never been preached at this place. Your sister in Christ. — Mrs. Belle Owens.

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COME PREACH THE GOSPEL

GORDON, Tex.—I want to tell the world what the Lord has done for me. He healed me and oh, how wonderful. I had a hurting in my side for a long time. It seemed as though it was going to perish away. Sunday, June 30, I read the Evangel and prayed almost all day. That night the Lord said, "It is time for you to pray." I began to pray, then He said, "You are healed." I surely had a new touch of fire. I was not praying for my side but was only praying to do the Lord's will and for lost souls to see the light of the right way. I guess I had not been praising Him as I should or the devil could not have had me suffering so. We have to do as the Lord wants us to do or else we will suffer for it. This surely did put my husband to thinking. He would live the right kind of life but his folks would laugh at him. He is putting it off as long as he can. I did not let the Lord have His way with me as soon as I should have or may be I would have had two eyes instead of one. I thank Him because I can see out of one. It pays to trust the Lord. I have been trusting Him for over seven years. I am praying for my husband and folks to turn. Oh, how sad to think of people who will go on in sin, attending everything that is worldly pleasure. My father attends the worldly pleasures and he is sick all the time. It looks as if he would know to let the world alone and live for Jesus. I am praying for him to turn before it is too late.

I am still looking for someone to come to Unity and hold a revival. It has been a long time since I have had an opportunity to hear the glorious gospel preached. If anyone can find time please come. I believe there would be lots of good done. The devil may keep me from church but he can't keep me from praising Him at home. I cannot praise Him enough. He has done so much for me. I want you to pray for me to stay true and ready to do the Lord's will, also pray for my husband and his people.—One who loves the Lord, Rosa Massey.

Kentucky Church Growing

WILLIAMSBURG, Ky.—Dear Evangel readers: I truly want to praise the Lord this morning for what He is to me. I'm glad today I can say I am a child of the King. O, I'm so glad I can trust the Lord for everything of this life also for the healing of my body. Praise the Lord! Why can't His children trust Him? We need not worry or be faint-hearted for He is King of kings and Lord of lords, and owns the cattle of a thousand hills. Thank God for faith He can give to His children to trust Him.

I am saved, sanctified, and filled with the precious sweet Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. I am glad I can report victory for the saints of Russell Springs, Ky. Brother Loman Benge, a young minister of Newport, Ky., and I conducted a few weeks revival at this place. The Lord blessed in the very first service and the revival closed with the approval of the Lord upon it. Russell Springs is about thirty or forty miles from a railroad. We were used to good concrete walks and roads and it seemed hard at first to wade thru the mud. There were several hard rains while there but we had services just the same. When the rain was showering on the outside the power of God was showering on the inside. People attended the meeting from far and near. They came in jolty wagons, on horseback, and on foot. If a preacher wants a good blessing from the Lord, just go out in the neglected places where people are hungry for the Gospel. Two were saved, three sanctified, two received the Holy Ghost, five united with the church, and three were baptized.

Brother A. C. Frost of Cincinnati, O. came to this place about a year ago and set the church in order with six members. Now it has thirty odd members. Amidst all the opposition or other Holiness bands, etc. the church is rising and shining. They are building a parsonage for the pastor and deeding it to the Church of God. There is prospect of a good work at this place. May the Lord bless this place that it will be a lighthouse for Jesus. Pray for me that I will continually be about my Father's business.—Yours for lost souls, Mabel Hatcher.

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Obituaries

SULLIVAN

Miss Vida Percilla Sullivan, well known home girl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Sullivan, pioneers of Pinellas County, residing at Largo, Fla., passed away at her home at 9:45 p. m. July 6th. She was born Aug. 26, 1909 and grew up in Largo, attending the schools here and was loved by all who knew her. She possessed a quiet, lovable character and served in the capacity as pianist of the Sunday School and for a period as class teacher in the Church of God of which she became a member. Her voice in song was greatly enjoyed by all as she with her brother, Joe, rendered many duets so appropriate for the occasions.

Vida was taken suddenly and violently ill on May 17th. At times she seemed to gain in health only to suffer a renewed attack of the disease. The end came with a wonderful reconciliation to the will of God whom she loved and honored to the end, assuring loved ones of her pleasure to be with Jesus.

While others are taking their vacations in the joy spots of the earth, Vida has gone to be in the land of bliss where one endless day dawns on the matchless beauty and grandeur of heaven with all of the redeemed where Jesus Himself is the light. We feel assured of her eternal welfare, therefore we sorrow not as others who have no hope: Eph. 4:13. In her last hour she pleaded with those of her loved ones to make their peace calling and election sure. Her pleadings and warnings were very impressive and effective. She has finished her work and gone to her reward. She awaits the safe arrival of her loved ones.

Dear bereaved ones, look up; Vida is happy; our redemption draweth near. Why should we not be happy to know by the grace of God we too can make it safely thru and be with her forever. Her body was laid to rest in the Anona Cemetery to await the resurrection morning. The funeral services were held at the Church of God, Largo, Fla. Brother J. A. Self, our district pastor, officiated. A favorite duet of Vida's, "When I Take My Vacation in Heaven," was rendered by friends, Misses Ethel Mulky and Bertha Edwards of Tarpon Springs. The services were very effective.—Her cousin and Sunday School teacher, R. M. Meares.

BIXLER

Wanda Bixler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bixler, was born in Eldorado, Ill., Dec. 26, 1919 and died July 4, 1929. She was nine years, six mo. and seven days of age. Her life was a joy and cheer to all who knew her. To know her was to love her. She gave her heart to Jesus, was sanctified and filled with the sweet Holy Ghost, received her water baptism, and was a member of the Church of God. She has now gone to glory. During her last illness, she proved herself faithful in her patient, loving manner toward all.

Just a few nights before her death while at church she sang her favorite song, "When I Reach that City on the Hill." Little did any one think that so soon Wanda would be singing in the City on the Hill, for we know that she has been transplanted from this earth to that beautiful flower garden in Heaven. She leaves to mourn her loss her father, mother, two sisters, one great grandfather, one great grandmother, one grandfather, two grandmothers, five uncles, four aunts, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Our dear Brother and Sister Bixler stood true and trusted the Lord to the end for their darling child. Brother Bixler is pastor of the Church of God at Benton, Ill. The funeral was conducted at the Church of God in Eldorado by W. J. Milligan and the writer.

God in His wisdom has recalled The boon His love had given, And though her body slumbers here, Her soul is safe in Heaven.—J. R. Thomas.

BOLEYN

On June 26 the death angel visited the home of B. T. and Eunice Boleyn and claimed for his own their little son, Brodie Clyde. He wafted his little spirit away on the wings of an angel to that bright eternal home where there will be no more pain, sorrow, or death. Brodie Clyde was born Mar.

18, 1920 and died June 26, 1929, age nine years, three months, and eight days. I will say to his father, mother, brothers and sisters, "Look to the Lord who healeth the broken in heart and bindeth up their wounds." Live for God and meet little Clyde in that sweet home above where we can be one united family, and where there will be no sad hearts, tear dimmed eyes, or sad farewells. We loved him, but God loved him more.—His grandmother, Mrs. J. M. Detherage.

STEPHENS

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Stephens on Feb. 28, 1929 and claimed for its victim their loving son, Talmadge, age twenty-one years and six months. He was a true Christian and had been in the church seven years. He was loved by all who knew him. He wasn't at home at the time of his death. He and his companion were near Orlando, Fla. He leaves to mourn his death a loving mother, father, one sister, and three brothers. His body was laid to rest in the Florence Cemetery. The funeral services were held at his home Mar. 1, 1929. We weep not as those who have no hope for our loss is Heaven's gain.

Sleep on dear Talmadge and take your rest, It will not be long until He comes for the rest.

Flowers will bloom and fade away, But the memory of you will always stay.

One who loved him, Annie Kephart.

COPLEY

The death angel visited the home of Sister Mary Copley and claimed her little daughter, Joyce Virginia, age five years, eleven months, and twenty-six days. She leaves to mourn her death a devoted father, mother, three sisters, three brothers, and a number of relatives and friends. Virginia was dearly loved by all who knew her, but Jesus loved her best and took her home to be with Him. Virginia was a wonderful little girl to go to Sunday School and church. Her mother is a Church of God member and taught her about Jesus and His mighty power. Our pastor, Brother Roy Marcum, said he never saw any child who seemed to be so enlightened on the Word of God to be so young. She will be a beautiful flower in Heaven. As David said, she cannot come back to us but we can go to her. Our loss is Heaven's gain and we expect to meet her in the morning of the first resurrection. Many saw the way much plainer after Brother Marcum preached the funeral. It surely paid to hear the sermon for it was wonderful and enough to make others want to live for Jesus.

Sleep on dear one and take your rest, Until we meet again in the land of the blest.

O, how much we miss Virginia while on this earth we stay, But we hope we'll get to see her again in Heaven some day.

It is sad to part from those we love so well, But it was God's will to call her home in Heaven to dwell.

Written by those who knew and loved her so dearly, Estella Lockwood and Mary Copley, Warfield, Ky.

MARKEN

Bertha Regina Marken, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Trettevik, was born in Norway, December 2, 1895. At the age of six months she came with her parents to America. On December 10, 1916 she was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Robert E. Marken, to which union were born two children, Walter and Violet. In September 1926 she became very hungry for a real knowledge of Christ and salvation. She was gloriously saved and united with the Church of God in 1927.

As the convincing evidence of the sun's existence is the presence of its rays of light and heat, so her great funeral sermon has been preached, not alone by the profession of Jesus Christ as her Savior, but by the fruits of a Christian life. It was a great delight to her soul to be present at the house of God. There she often expressed her love for Him in testimony, with an eagerness to go all the way with Him. Although she knew little of how and where the path might lead her, it was enough for her to know that Jesus would go with her to the end.

During her last earthly hours, she was full of hope and expectation to recover, but she expressed to her beloved and faithful husband a fonder hope—a willingness to die if thru her death others might be brought to the light of the Cross.

The great God who hath numbered our hairs, and without whose notice never a sparrow falls to the ground, in His kind providence has taken our sister to be with Him. She flung aside the frail garments of time for the spotless robes of eternity at 12:15 a. m., June 13, 1929, at the age of 33 yrs., 6 months, and 11 days. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband, two children, a mother, father, six sisters, six brothers, and a host of friends.

We bow our heads in humble submission to God in this hour of grief

NEGLECT

How Shall We Escape if We Neglect so Great Salvation

"How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation." Heb. 2:3. We can see by reading the second chapter of Hebrews if the word spoken by angels was steadfast and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward that there is no escape for us if we neglect to obey His voice. We find that Webster says neglect is to omit by carelessness; disregard; omission. The government statistics show that there has been a great falling away in Christianity. Surely if there ever was a time that people need to take heed to the words of the Lord it is now. There is no one who really intends to be lost but by neglecting to obey the call of God they go down without any hope and are lost. There are many ways to neglect this great salvation. Sinners neglect to seek God and His ways; fascinated with the cares of this life they forget about their soul and soon wake up to the fact that they have neglected and, as the text says, there is no escape.

A story is told of a little girl who went out one afternoon to gather wild flowers. So beautiful were the flowers that she became fascinated, taking no thought of the time; she had neglected to notice that the dark shades of night were soon to settle down upon the earth. When she came to herself she was lost. The howling beasts and hooting owls impressed her that she was lost. So it is with people who neglect God.

Christians neglect this great salvation. Many who are just saved fail to walk on in the light of sanctification and soon lose what they have. The same with those who are sanctified who neglect to go on and receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Even baptized saints, after receiving the light on God's government which is the Church of God, and fail to accept it, find themselves in a backslidden condition. It does not pay to risk our souls for they are too precious. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation." Children of God neglect to labor in the place that God has placed them and soon they are at ease in Zion, working not at all, but become busybodies and tale-bearers. They soon find their joy leaked out. What has caused it? Disobedience. Some wonder why they can't feel free like they used to, and about when others do, when maybe they are neglecting some things such as paying tithes when God has ordained tithing and there is no escape if we fail to obey His voice. When some are reproved for their disobedience they will get puffed up and say they can't feel free around you, but just look at them when they get around folks who compromise, and watch them shout. Beloved, if you are measuring up I want to say you will feel like shouting anywhere.

Ministers neglect to obey the voice of the Lord when they are called to certain places where souls need the Gospel and because there is not a great amount of money they had rather see the souls die in sin than to sacrifice and go. "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation." Obedience is better than sacrifice. Pray for us here at Slator for we need help. We have just closed a meeting with our district overseer, Brother M. E. Drake, in charge. He delivered some soul stirring messages. The Lord wonderfully blessed our souls and many others were stirred as Brother Drake gave out the truth uncompromisingly. We hope to see good results as bread cast upon water. —Your sister, Mrs. Thelma Rampey, Slator, Tex.

Happiest Life I Ever Lived

PELEN, Miss.—I am just a new member of about two months. I surely thank the Lord for this blessing. My wife and I both received the blessing. It is the happiest life I ever lived. Brother Dail Witman and his father has been holding meeting in our neighborhood and have done some wonderful work. We have twenty-three members to be baptized. I thank God for every one who got the blessing. The happiest days of my life are since I came to the Lord. Thank God. I have a friend at all times. I praise Him for the wonderful healing power. He has healed my wife, baby, and me. He is all the doctor that I need. I thank Him for it all. I ask for the prayers of all the saints.—T. J. Pope.

and deep sorrow, for He doeth all things well, and look forward to a happy reunion at the resurrection of the righteous.

Funeral services were conducted by the writer.—F. W. Lemons, pastor, Plaza, N. Dak.

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Very Much In Need Of Prayer

CHINA GROVE, N. C.—I am glad I can report victory in my soul today. I want to praise the dear Lord for saving, sanctifying, and filling me with the Holy Ghost which abides now. It comforts me in time of trouble. I have a special request to make. I have more trouble to bear than I can hardly overcome. My husband has one time been saved and was a member of the Church of God. Now he is a backslider and has had asthma. The doctors have given him morphine to take until he is in the habit of using it. He can't quit it without some help. I have tried to get him in the state hospital to be treated for it, but they want me to pay \$50.00 per month for him. That is more than I make. We have six in family to work for and only one boy old enough to work. I have been working and doing my housework for five years. I am giving out. My husband is not able to work much. I want every one who reads this to please pray for the Lord to save my husband from that awful habit. Some times he curses so badly I can hardly stand to be with him. There is no one but me and the dear Lord who knows what I have to go thru with. Please pray hard for me. I want to be faithful until the end for I do not believe it will be much longer until Jesus will come back again. Everyone please pray for me for the trials are more than I can stand without the prayers of God's children and the help of God. Surely I don't want to give up, but he causes me to worry. I had rather the Lord would take me out of the world than to have to give up my salvation. Please ask the Lord to heal my eyes. I can hardly see how to work. I am trusting the Lord for my body. He has been my healer for five years. Pray for my children to be saved before it is too late. I feel so little and unworthy sometimes. I feel like every one has forsaken me, but God knows my heart. All who may read this please pray for me, my children, and husband.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Esther Hogan.

Our Work For The Lord Is Not In Vain

ALLISONS CHAPEL, Va.—This afternoon finds me saved, sanctified and waiting for the Holy Ghost, which empowers one for God's service, which the Father has promised to them that ask and obey Him. Luke 11:13; Acts 5:32.

The exhortation of Paul (1 Thess. 4:4), that everyone of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honor, has been more fully realized in my experience recently than ever before. We find in 2 Tim. 2:20, 21 that in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver but also of wood and of earth; and some to honor, and some to dishonor. 21st verse. "If a man therefore purge himself from these he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified and meet for the Master's use, and prepared unto every good work." Brother D. R. Byrd, our pastor, has just closed a two weeks meeting at Allisons Chapel. Eight souls were saved, one sanctified, two were baptized in water, and two added to the Church, with more looking this way.

We have been encouraged to press on toward the prize of the mark of the high calling in Christ Jesus; Bro. Byrd is loved by both saint and sinner. He surely manifests the love of God which has been shed abroad in his heart for lost souls, and with power and demonstrations of the Holy Ghost. He shuns not to declare all the counsel of God. We remembered the suffering and death of our crucified and risen Saviour, and washed the saints' feet, on Sunday night at the close of meeting. We want to do more for our dear Saviour this year than ever before. We organized our Sunday School the 1st Sunday in April with fifty five students. Saints let us pray and work harder for our Master as the work of the Lord is not in vain.—Mrs. Elender Dalton, clerk, Sylvatus, Va.

Victory In Meeting

CROWN HILL, W. Va. (June 23)—I want to report victory in our meeting held here by Miss C. L. Davis. The dear Lord wonderfully blessed. Both saints and sinners enjoyed the good messages and special songs given thru Sister Davis. Three were saved, three sanctified, and one received the Holy Ghost. One backslider came back to the Father's house. All who read this pray for Jesus to keep her true and faithful until He comes or calls. Pray that she will use her talent for the glory of God and lost souls.

This is my first letter to the Evangel although I have been taking it for about five years. I look for my paper to come just the same as I do my friends. I have been saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost for about seven years. When I take the headache I bind the Evangel around my head and the pain leaves me. I thank the Lord for His healing virtue thru the Evangel. Pray for me to stand true until Jesus comes or calls for me.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Maggie Belcher.

LETTERS IN INTEREST Of The BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

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FORWARD MARCH TO THE B. T. S.

I thank the Lord that I am on victory side. I am saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost and have a greater desire to go thru with Jesus. I often think of the happy days spent in Bible School. Although I only attended three months of the term, it certainly has meant much to me. Almost every day I can see wherein I was benefited by the school. I often think of our good teachers. I had the privilege of meeting Brother Walker and several of the students at the Florida State Camp Meeting. It seemed good to meet and talk about school days. I am sure there are many of us planning on attending next term by the help of the Lord. Let's do, and take new students with us. What do you say?

You, who need to know how to rightly divide the Word of Truth better, need to be a student in the Church of God Bible Training School, which is the greatest institution in the world, of its kind. You who have boys and girls who have a desire to work for Jesus would do a good deed to give them a course in Bible School. I long to see the time when each local church can put one or more students thru school. Surely this would be pleasing unto the Lord.

We had the privilege of having Brother Barrick to visit our church here at Olustee. He delivered a wonderful message concerning the mission work in India. Surely it put a desire in our hearts to do more for the masses of lost souls that are going down in defeat and being lost forever.

The Way Grows Brighter All The Time

BAUXITE, Ark. (April 23)—I want to praise my blessed Saviour the first time thru this little paper. I praise Him for this holy way. I have been in this way eleven years this coming July and the way grows sweeter all the time. I'm so glad I learned to trust Jesus for all. He has healed us many times. I can never praise Him enough. I want to praise Him for the church at New Summit. God is blessing His Church at this place. Souls are being saved, and filled with the Holy Ghost, bless His dear name. I want to praise Him for our pastor, Brother W. I. Burford. He surely is a man of God. God uses him in giving out His Word. We all love him and his wife. I believe they are doing all they can for God and His cause. I want all to pray much for the church at this place and the lost souls. A sister, Lillie McCain, the clerk.

A Wonderful Revival

HARLAN, Ky.—A wonderful state convention and a glorious revival was held at Harlan, Ky. This was a wonderful event that the churches of Kentucky will never forget. Our General Overseer was with us and seemed to be at his best. I have heard several say that they never knew that he was that kind of fellow. They seemed to look for a stern person but when they saw him they found out that he was a very humble, sincere man. They took notice that he had the Holy Ghost and was able to shout and praise God and talk in tongues as well as the Kentucky folks. We hope to have him back at our next convention and I hope he is already planning to come. After the convention closed Brother G. A. Fore, our State Overseer, stayed with us two weeks and preached for our revival. He seemed to be at his best for God and gave out the Word. God began to bless from the very beginning. The altar was filled almost every night with earnest seekers. There were ten or twelve saved, six or eight sanctified, and five received the Holy Ghost. The meeting closed June 30. The last night three were saved and there were about twenty at the altar. As Brother Fore had so many calls and it was his duty as State Overseer he had to leave us. I hope that the churches and ministers of the state will not think hard of him and I know you won't when you find out how God has been blessing his labor. Let us send in our tithes and offerings and help him get over the state. He has about worn the tires off his car going in the interest of the Church. May God's blessings be upon him.

I believe the little band of saints at Harlan is the best I know of. We have a membership of about 150 and for most of them seem to have the victory. They believe in taking care of their pastor, praying for him, and trusting the Lord for their healing. Pray for us that God will bless our labor. Our next revival will begin Sept. 15 with Brother Charlie Stanford from Indiana in charge. We are looking forward to this time. We pray that God will pour out His power and many souls be swept into the kingdom of our God. Amen.—T. A. Richard, box 73.

WHAT IS YOUR LIFE?

As I sit here thinking of how time goes on so fast and that millions are being hurled out into eternity unprepared to meet God, it is sad to know that there are millions of laborers who work every day preparing to live the next day, week, month, or perhaps a few years, and only a few are preparing to live the longest part of their life. They have to live in eternity after death forever and forever, and yet, they will go on and fail to prepare for it.

What is your life? James 4:14 tells us "It is even a vapor, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." We are here for a short time only, so let us make the best out of our lives that we possibly can. One great writer said that our life is just what we make it. No more or no less. We can make our lives a blessing to humanity if we will, by living a Christian life and greeting everyone with a big broad smile. This will cheer many sad hearts, and will be an inspiration for them to look on the bright side of life.—One who likes the B. T. S. and expects to return next term, G. D. McNair, McDonald, Miss.

I desire the prayers of God's people everywhere that the way will be clear for every honest-hearted person who has a desire to attend Bible School to do so.

We are planning on a revival starting here at Olustee church some time in July with Brother I. H. Marks in charge. Please pray that our efforts will be successful.—A student, Morris Wiggins, Olustee, Fla.

OUR RACE WILL SOON BE RUN

GOLDEN, Miss. — I Want to praise the Lord for being saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. It is so sweet to trust in Jesus. The Lord led me to the great Church of God, and I love Her teachings. I am trusting God with my body; He will heal when we get sick. I am encouraged to press on for Jesus. I feel like it won't be long till the race will be over. I mean by the help of God to be one in that number when the saints go marching in. The Lord has been so good to me, O I can't tell it all. Let us pray more so the Lord can have His way with us.

Dear unsaved one, had you ever thought what it is going to mean for you to meet God without this salvation? It just means that God will turn you away from His presence, and there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Lost, forever! O how sad it will be! Ah sinner, please think this matter over. I love you and want to meet you in heaven. What my Saviour has done for me, He will do for you. Glory to God bless His name! Pray for me, I want to do His will.—Mamie Anderson.

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